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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

A3 4,705,875

A4 5,593,691

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

B7 WO 00/04887

OTHER DOCUMENTS

C8 Shimada, et al., "Enzymatic Synthesis of Steryl Esters of Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids," <u>JAOCS</u>, Vol. 76, No. 6, pp. 713-716 (1999)

These documents were cited in a Search Report dated March 21, 2000 (copy enclosed), and a Communication dated January 28, 2000 (copy enclosed), which issued in foreign counterpart applications.

Applicants request that these documents be considered by the Examiner before issuance of the next action and made of record in this file. The Examiner is also asked to initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form to evidence such consideration.

Please note that copies of U.S. 4,588,717 and WO 98/06405 are not being submitted, since each was made of record in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement mailed on January 28, 2000.

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